AP US History

Chapter 2 Study Guide – New World Experiments

**Chapter Summary**

Over the course of the 17th century, women and men had followed leaders such as Baltimore, Smith, Winthrop, Bradford, Penn, and Berkeley to the New World in anticipation of creating a successful new society. Some people were religious visionaries; others were hardheaded businessmen. Many factors yielded a spectrum of settlements along the Atlantic coast, ranging from the quasi-feudalism of South Carolina to the Puritan commonwealth of Massachusetts Bay. The diversity of early English colonization must be emphasized precisely because it is so easy to overlook. Even though the colonists eventually banded together against the crown, persistent differences separated New Englanders from Virginians, Pennsylvanians from Carolinians.

**Breaking Away**

1. According to the text, list five reasons why English colonists crossed the Atlantic…
2. Describe the significance of the Glorious Revolution on the American colonies.

**The Chesapeake: Dreams of Wealth**

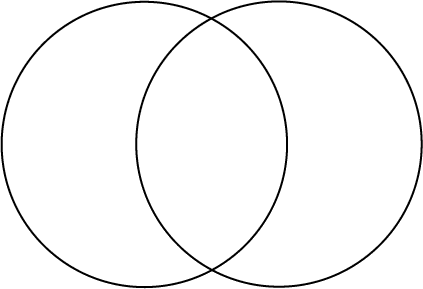
1. Explain how the creation of the **joint-stock company** advanced English efforts of colonization in North America.
2. Describe the settlement of Jamestown in social, geographic, and economic categories.

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| Social | Geographic | Economic |
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1. Identify the role and significance of Captain John Smith.
2. Explain the perils facing the inhabitants of Jamestown from 1609-1610.
3. Explain the significance of tobacco on the Virginia colony.
4. Describe two efforts of Sir Edwin Sandys and their effect on life in Virginia.
   1. House of Burgesses
   2. Headright System
5. Elaborate on the lifestyle of indentured servants.
6. Explain the significance of Lord Baltimore.
   1. Why was his “Act Concerning Religion” significant?

**Reforming England in America**

1. Describe the **Mayflower Compact.**
2. How is it that Puritans are “more like today’s radical political reformers”?
3. Identify the major difference between the charter of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and that of others created before it.
4. Compare/Contrast the individuals of Massachusetts (Puritans) and those of Virginia.



1. Explain the significance of John Winthrop’s **“City on a Hill”.**
2. Briefly elaborate on the significance of the church in Massachusetts Bay Colony.
   1. The town?
3. Describe the beliefs of **Roger Williams.** Why would these beliefs trouble Puritan leaders?
   1. **Anne Hutchinson?**
4. Describe the circumstances behind the creation of the following colonies.

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| New Hampshire | Connecticut | Rhode Island |
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**Diversity in the Middle Colonies**

1. Identify the purpose of Dutch settlement of New Netherland.
2. Describe the inhabitants of New Jersey.

**Quakers in America**

1. Describe the religious beliefs of Quakers.
   1. How did they practice humility?
2. Who was William Penn and what was his “Holy Experiment”?

**Planting the Carolinas**

1. What effect did Enlightenment thinkers have on Carolinian government?

**The Founding of Georgia**

1. What political and social situations prompted England and James Oglethorpe to found the colony of Georgia?
   1. Political
   2. Social
2. Summarize the selected colonies using the provided categories.

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|  | Virginia | Massachusetts | Pennsylvania | New York |
| Original Purpose |  |  |  |  |
| Hardships |  |  |  |  |
| Government |  |  |  |  |
| Key Leaders |  |  |  |  |
| Economy |  |  |  |  |